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In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of July 27, 2005, with a threemonth shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 27, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and reexamination of the present application in light of the following remarks and amendments.

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